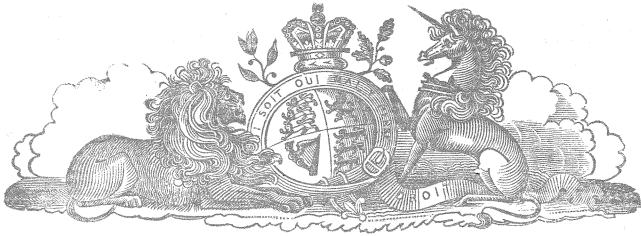


PROVINCE OF WELLINGTON.



DISTRICT HIGHWAYS.

ANNO VICESIMO SEXTO VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

SESSION X., No. 4.

ANALYSIS.

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| Title.   |  |
| Preamble.  |  |
| 1. Amount of Rates to be fixed by Voters.                    | 3. Proviso in clause 6 of Act, Sess. IX. No. 10, repealed and new proviso substituted. |
| 2. Voters may fix amount of rate for one two or three years. | 4. Power to Justice of Peace to convene meeting of voters.                             |

*AN ACT to Amend the District Highways Act, 1862.*

Title.

[Assented to May 26, 1863.]

**WHEREAS** in Session IX. of the Provincial Council An Act Preamble. (No. 10) was passed to amend and consolidate the Law relating to District Highways And it was by Clause 5 thereof enacted that any Justice of the Peace of any proclaimed District upon the requisition of any five such voters should (by notice posted and inserted four times at least in some newspaper published within or as near the District as might be) summon a meeting of voters for the District to be called "the First Annual Meeting" who having met at some convenient place within or near the District should in the first place elect a Chairman In the second place elect a Board of Wardens In the third place fix the amount of the rate to be levied severally for the construction repair and maintenance of the Highways of such District and in the fourth place should appoint two Auditors of Accounts Provided that no member of the Board should be eligible to be an Auditor and it was further enacted by Clause 6 of the said Act that at all meetings held in pursuance of the said Act the Chairman should have an

original and casting vote and every question shall be decided by a majority of votes every voter must be present in order to enable him to record his vote or votes and the number of votes to which each voter was entitled should be calculated according to the Schedule of the said Act Provided that no rate payer should be entitled to any vote unless his assessment should amount to the sum of five shillings for the year.

And whereas it is expedient to amend the said Act

BE IT ENACTED by the Superintendent of the Province of Wellington with the advice and consent of the Provincial Council thereof as follows :—

1. The amount of the rate to be fixed by the voters at the meeting called under Clause 5 of the said recited Act shall be the maximum amount of the rate per acre to be levied and shall not exceed one shilling and sixpence per acre for the construction of a road and nine-pence per acre for the repair and maintenance of a road for any one year.

Amount of Rates to be fixed by voters.

2. It shall be lawful for the Voters at any annual or other meeting called for the purpose to fix the amount for the construction maintenance and repair severally of the roads in the district during the ensuing year or for the two or three ensuing years if they think fit so to do.

Voters may fix amount of rate for one two or three years.

3. The Proviso in Clause 6 of the said recited Act that "no Rate Payer shall be entitled to vote unless his assessment shall amount to the sum of five shillings" shall be and is hereby repealed and the following Proviso substituted, viz. Provided that no Rate Payer shall after the First Annual Meeting be entitled to vote unless his assessment in the previous year for one or both of such rates shall have amounted to the sum of five shillings for the year.

Proviso in Clause 6 of Act Sess. IX No. 10 repealed and new Proviso substituted.

4. It shall be lawful for any Justice of the Peace on the requisition of five Voters of the District to convene a General Meeting of the

Power to Justice of Peace to convene meeting of voters.

Voters at some place within the District at which meeting the Voters may in case no Board of Wardens shall have been legally elected or a valid Rate imposed at any Annual or previous Meeting elect a Board of Wardens or impose a Rate and do and determine any other act matter or thing which may be necessary or expedient for the purpose of carrying out any of the provisions of this Act.

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SCHEDULE.

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Under 100 Acres	... ..	1	Vote	Schedule.
100 Acres and upwards to 250 Acres	.. ..	2	Votes	
251 Acres and upwards to 500 Acres	... ..	3	Votes	
Above 500 Acres	... ..	4	Votes	

CHARLES WILLIAM SCHULTZE,  
*Speaker.*

I hereby certify the above to be in accordance with the Bill as passed by the Council.

JOHN HOWARD WALLACE,  
*Chairman of Committees.*

Passed the Provincial Council this Twentieth day of May, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

WILLIAM BEST,  
*Clerk of Council.*

I assent to this Act on behalf of the Governor of New Zealand on this Twenty-sixth day of May, One thousand, eight hundred and sixty-three.

I. E. FEATHERSTON,  
*Superintendent.*